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In re Appln. of: DOUGLAS C. MYERS ET AL.

Appln. No.: 10/766,384

Filed: 01/28/2004

For: DETACHABLE HALF SHAFT ASSEMBLY  
OF A VEHICLE WHEEL END

Attorney Docket No: 10541-1824 (V203-0076)

Examiner: Jason R. Bellinger

Art Unit: 3617

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- ☒ Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement; Form PTO-1449; Foreign Cited Reference  
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☐ Small Entity.  
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Respectfully submitted,

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.97(i)

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and more particularly in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(i), Applicant hereby cites the following reference(s):

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIALS	Cite No.	Foreign Patent Document Country Code, Number - Number-Kind Code (if known)	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where, Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	T
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Applicant is enclosing Form PTO-1449 (one sheet), along with a copy of each listed reference for which a copy is required under 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2). Applicant respectfully requests that the citation(s) be placed into the file wrapper of the application.

By submitting this Statement, Applicant is attempting to fully comply with the duty of candor and good faith mandated by 37 C.F.R. §1.56. As such, this Statement is not intended to constitute an admission that any of the enclosed references, or other information referred to therein, constitutes "prior art" or is otherwise "material to patentability," as that phrase is defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(a).

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October 30, 2006

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<b>LIST OF PATENTS AND PUBLICATIONS FOR APPLICANT'S SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT</b>	FILING DATE 01/28/2004	GROUP ART UNIT 3617
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